CHRISTMAS.

HOW THE DAY WAS CELEBRATED IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Churches Were Crowded and the Exrcises Were Impressive—The Immates of Various Charitable Institutions, the Jail, Workhouse, and Reform School Are Appropriately Remembered.

An ideal Christmas was foreshadowed, and the realization was complete. The weather was perfect. In appreciation of this fact the churches that held services were well attended, better congregations being reported than for years past. The musical programmes were excellent, and with the notable accessions that many of the choirs had received for the occasion, rich treats were emjoyed by those attending. The sermons were eminently seasonable, full of humanity and charity.

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The streets were crowded at other times with people easily tempted out by other attractions. Some went sleighing, Every one who could afford the special prices demanded, and many who could not, had engaged any-

who could afford the special prices demanded, and many who could not, had engaged anything in the shape of a sleigh that was procurable. The youngster who could command a sled was at a premium, and many resilized on their superior advantages, or their investments, by renting out sleds at so much per run. The hills between Fennsylvania avenue and F street on Thirteenth street, on Thirteenth street, on Thirteenth street, on Thirteenth street, and down capital in 60 hours and a half street, and down capital in 10 h street northwest were erowded with youngsters.

President Arihur spent the day as happily as though he had thrown the cares of state aside completely. He was at home and knew it. There was no official business to be transacted owing to the forethought of Secretary Phillips, and he appreciated that fact also. A pleasant walk across Lafayete park brought him to St. John's church, where, with his little daughter at his side, he attended the Christmas service, enjoyed the music and the service. The Christmas dinner of the chief magistrate was an eminently homelike meal. Mr. Chester A. Arthur, the citizen, sat down to a well-cooked meal, compounded in accordance with the traditions of the season, surrounded by his family and a few of the more intimate members of his official household. Beyond this there is nothing to say of the closing Christmas dinner at the white house for the present presidential term.

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Fully 500 bright eyed little children were made extremely happy last night at the Metropolitan Presbyterian church by being presented, each and every one of them, with a bag of candy, a bag of nuts, and a large orange. The literary and musical exercises were exce ptionally good, and the remarks of the officers of the Sabbath school were wholesome and to the point. The children were dismissed at an early hour, and no doubt went to their several homes feeling slad that they were members of the Nettopolitan Presbyterian Sabbath school.

MOUNT VERNAM PLACE CRUECH.

Mount Vernon Place M. E church, Ninth and K streets, gave a Christians entertainment to the Sunday school, the specially interesting features being singing by the infant department and presents to the members of the school. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Cox, was kindly remembered in a handsome donation. The whole affair was highly epiopable.

WESLEY ZION SABBATH SCHOOL. Wester from sabbath school held its Christmas festival yesternlay morning. The exercises were opened by the reading of the first chapter of St. Matthew and an explanation of the esebration of the day. The scholars were addressed by Supt. Summy and Mr. R. H. Gunnell. After these exercises were finished the children were served with refreshments by Misses Contee, Fleids, Hammer, Barnes, and Hammond. Music and singing were had in abundance. The church was very tastefully decorated, and all present seemed to enjoy themselves.

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a large Christmas tree being filled
with gifts from the morning school
to the children sitending the afternoon
mission school—all of which were distributed
to nearly two hundred chaldren, representing
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THE MEMORIAL CHURCH.

The children of the morning Sunday school of the Memorial church, Mr. Kinsell, superintendent, had their annual Christmas celebration yesierday afternoon, and a very agreable and happy occasion it proved to be. At the conclusion of the usual programme for Christmas, each scholar was presented with a beautiful book, handsomely gotten up, and containing copious selections from the Psalms. The regular custom of donating pound bundles for the poor was observed this year, and many hearts will be made glad by the miscellaneous number of good things brought for them by the little children. The morning school connected with the church will hold their festival Monday evening next. A good time is promised, and a large crowd expected.

Prisoners Who Were Remembered by Their Relatives and Friends.

leading to the jail yesterday afternoon In her right hand was a huge market baskes, and in her left was a small package. Oc-casionally she would stop and rest, and then she resumed her journey. She pulled the bellhandle set in the heavy woodwork at the door of the jail, and Warden Russ and some warm air came out. The woman wanted to see her husband. "All right, come in," said Mr. Russ,

iously), a piece of corn bread, a napkin, and a slice of cake.

"What's in the bundle," asked Mr. Russ, and the woman showed some cheap candy, some nuts, and two cigars.

"Here's something else I've brought for him," said the woman, and she pulled from her pocket a pair of kuit socks and a necktie. The warden gave her a ticket and she went into the rounds and was soon conversing with her husband and giving him his presents. He had none for her. When he came down the heavy iron steps from his cell he frewned, and when she showed him what she had brought he growled, "Why didn't you bring me some whisky? you could have got it in." The woman was disappointed, but he said: "Issaha, I thought these would be better for you."

talked until evening, he meanwhite munching the food she had brought him.

THERE WERE A GREAT MANY VISITORS

at the jail yesterday; almost everyone brought immediage. The prisoners expected many remains and in some instances received them, the early morning the faces of the poor victs could be seen with wistful looks yest against the from windows everloaking approaches to the prison, and some of the could be seen with wistful looks and some of the prison of the prison of the prison of the prison of the first that the prison of the first that the prison of the prison of the first that the medical prisoner late of the little woman through the barwith a passion that drove the dogged expression from his face and brought at earnest tender light to his eyes.

There was a spirit of guod-culcurally among the prisoners. Those who received presents divided with their brother unfortunates, so that all had some good cheer. The bill of fare of the jail was the same as on other days was some day and the menu yesterday contained. Potage, registables; roth beef; relayes good digestion and corn-bread dessent, while the above was not a holiday dinner it.

some tender and parterio scenes
took place, and there were some ludicrous
ones. A little undersized fellow, who at a
first giance looked to be about 15 years of age,
rang the bell and came into the office. Under
his arm he carried a suspender box with the
sides crushed in. He wanted to see one of the
female prisoners, and when asked if she was
a relative, said "guess and are. She is my
wife, she is." He had in the box some cabbage, a piece of ham, three slices of bread, two
slicks of candy, and some smuff.
A sleigh drew up before the jail in the aftermoon and a richly-attired woman alighted,
bearing a basket. She requested to see a man
who is serving a term for larveny. When she
saw him she betrayed considerable emetion,
which she tried to hide. He only soovied,
asking "What this funny business meant."
"I have brought you something, John. This
is Christmas, you know," and she gave him
the basket.
"What the upot?" Then he looked inside,
and after fumbling about for a time drew out
a book. "What's a copy of Dryden."
"Why, the poet."
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OF THE MURDINERS

contained in the jall only Phillips, who is held for killing Shober, received anything. Laugster was sick. He ate the prison fare with a relish, as he always does, and called for more. Minor, the wife murderer, got a basket.

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PAUPERS AND PRISONERS.

Incidents of the Day at the Washington Asyline of the Day at the Washington Asyline Cullinary department of the almshouse, was in moglecful mood yesterday. Christmas to her means additional labor. There were 140 persons to feed, and anni Betsy wished that there "want no christmas." She didn't believe in them, and Betsy is quite a curiculty in her way. On a cold Docember day, in 1848, Aunt Betsy is quite a curiculty in her way. On a cold Docember day, in 1848, Aunt Betsy was taken to the Washington asylum in a wheelbarrow while very drunk. From that day to this she has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never seen a street car, and all of the improvements made since its from the building. She has never seen a street car, and all of the improvements made since its from the building. She has never seen a street car, and all of the improvements made since its from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never been a dozen yards from the building. She has never seen a street car, and all of the improvements made since its street of the substitution of the capitol, which is visible from her window. She has made herself a shroud to be buried in, has saved mousy for a coffin, and is only waiting for dozen. Under no circumstances will not be seen the cliff of the substitutions in the city yesterday, and he rapply was "what in the h-l do I want to see the city for, this is good enough for me." She is very profance of the superintendent of the capital part of the substitutions in mates by threatening to come back and hamt them after her death. The dimner restorday consisted of three, pork, a half dozen kinds of vegetables, mince pic, apples and candy. M a wheelbarrow while very drunk. From that day to this she has never been a dozen yards intimate members of his official household. Beyond this there is nothing to say of the closing Christmas dinner at the white house for the present presidential term.

BUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Children Made Happy by Giffs of Toys and Candy.

On Christmas eve the chapel of the Unity Presbyterian church on Fourteenth street was filled gith the members of the church and sunday school to enjoy an immense Christmas free which reached to the celling, and was free which reached to the celling, and was free which reached to the church. To Mrs. Patch, the esteemed wife of the paster, a crasy quilt was presented by Maj. Power in a nent address. The quilt is a work of art, composed of squargs of silk and saitu of every conceivable color and design in necelle art crnamentation, each bearing the name or monogram of the donor, the whole surrounded by a wide stretch of velvet, with ornamental corners. There are now 155 regular attendants of the church shows a steady increase.

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was giving a REPUBLICAN reporter some facts about the observance of Christmas there. Mrs. Van Ness established the orphanage in 1812 to provide for the children bereff of their parents by the war of that year. Dr. and Mrs. Hall's portraits also hang in the rooms, together with a crayon of Mr. Corcoran. Mrs. Hall's beneficence enabled a new wing to be erected. The children were reformed to night. "Faults of Santa Claus' is the name of it, and all of the children will take part in the chorus, a few being assigned to the speaking parts, and duly costumed to sustain the characters of Santa Claus, Jack Frost, &c. The Christmas tree will also be unveiled to-day, and the ice cream and cake and candides and things consumed. Yesterday's turkey dinner, supplemented with candy oranges, nuts, &c., was the feature. The 150 walfs were happy in the fact that it was Christmas, and in the anticipation of the additional pleasures of the evening. They had their presents yesterday, too, every little one having more or less numerous ceminders of ricads outside. Among the contributors to the comestille department was W. W. Corcoran, with half a dozen turkeys, lee cream, and cake and contributors to the comestille department was W. W. Corcoran, with half a dozen turkeys, lee cream, and cake and colonials. Among the contributors to the comestille department was W. W. Corcoran, with half a dozen turkeys, lee cream, and cake and colonials. Among the contributors to the comestille department was W. W. Corcoran, with half a dozen turkeys, lee cream, and cake and colonials as a summer of the additional pleasures of the evening. They had their presents yesterday, too, every little one having more or less numerous ceminders of friends on the defendant seal a mouth organ, valued at the case. The chapel has been very tastefully decorated.

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A Happy Time in the Hespital—Some of the Contributors.

The Children's hospital on Thirteenth and W streets was the seeme of a pleasant celebration. The dinner was served at 1 o'clock, and all but half a dozen of the forty five inmates enjoyed the repast. Turkey and lee cream formed the features which made the principal difference between this and the everyday dinner. Oranges, cakes, figs, candy, and crackers were also additional dainties. After dinner the children trooped into the room where an even more important ingredient of the day's enjoyment, the Christmas tree, occupied a corner. This was grandly decorated, and beneath its shade reside an ocean of presents. The children had all been consulted beforehand and had sent their requisitions to Mr. Santa Claus in time to have them filled where practicable. Every child was satisfied and more than happy at the responses. the day's enjoyment, the Christmas tree, occupied a corner. This was grandly decorated,
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Miss Myers, the matron, was the happiest of
all at the fruition of all her exertions. Among
the contributions were the following: W. W.
Corcoras, three turkeys: S. V. Niles, a turkey
and three dosen books; W. M. Gait, barrel of
floury Mrs. Matthew Reed, two bushels polatoes and box oranges; Mrs. Andrews, sugar
and crackers; Mrs. Capt. McKauley, apples,
candy, crackers, oranges, and figs; Mrs. Selfridge, cakes and oranges; Mrs. Horatio King,
a ham, and J. T. Given, turkey. Carois were
sung before the presents were distributed.

How the Boys at this Institution Enjoyed

tractive. Yesterday morning just after break-fast the boys were each treated to a box of candy and a tin born. The candy was a rare treat to them, while with the horns their oushow wanted something to break the colors wanted something to break the colors of their daily lives. When the first differ and downst eyes, entered with a basket, the other somers envised the recipient of the gifts she ought. When he thought no one was looks the fortunate prisoner kinsed the little want hirough the bars with a passion that want hirough the bars with a passion that want hirough the bars with a passion that we have the dogged expression from his face and sight an estract tender light to his eyes. There was a spirit of good-tellowship among a prisoners. Those who received presents ided with their brother unfortunates, so it all had some good cheer. The hill of fare the jail was the same as on other days, unraday was sound day, and the innen yetter the jail was the same as on other days, uraday was sound and and the innen yetter the jail was the same as on other days, over a spood digestion and corn-bread; dessert, lee.

a cold day. The policeman said, "Yes; I've How the Veterans of the Late War Spent got lots of Christmas gifts for the judge this

Then a score of wretched looking men and women with wan faces and solied clothes crept out of the waron, and dashed down into the cellar. The Christmas session of the court was to have begun at 720, but at that time only a few witnesses, with freshly washed faces, and two newspaper reporters were around. Clerk Harper and Attorney Padgett came about 8 o'clock. Balliff Barton had on a new suit and carried a pair of gives when he arrived at 8:15, and the gloss on Judge Snell's newly polished shoes was seen discon minutes later. The session began at 8:34:38.

THE JUDGE LOOKED FLEASED at something, and when a reporter injudiciously

worknotes, and the large said. See a long term.

Two neatly-dressed young colored men, named James Baniel and Thornton Townsley, were charged with assaulting Mary Evans, a pleasant looking colored woman. The latter told her story in a rambling sort of a way. It appeared that the complainant and defendants were all employed in the same house, and the question of right and wrong was so intricate that the judge dismissed the case.

A blue Jersey, trainmed with fur, and a chip hat accompanied the form of Josephine Shority. A weak-looking young man named Clark said that he was a detective, and saw the defendant steal a mouth organ, valued at 15 cents. The girl said that she intended to pay for the mouth organ and the judge released her and dismissed the case.

Charles Swartz smilled as he came into the dook, and said he was guilty of disorderly conduct. He was fined \$3.

James Barton had a mulatto complexion, a bir shirt front, and a large brass chain. He said he was not guilty of profamity, but was fined \$3.

Michael Mulley, a brisk tittle man, came in

ment.
George Johnson, who were a blue coat that
some cz-so diet had bequeathed him, was
charged with disorderly conduct. O. S. B.
Wall, his lawyer, and that Johnson was the
best man in the district," and the judge let
him go.
Elizabeth King, a faded white woman, was
charged with vacrancy. "I deny the charge."

Their Christman. "Christmas comes but once a year,

But Christmas bringeth us good cheer," sang merrily the 550 veterans of the regular army yesterday who are domiciled at the Sol-Of these henored veterans of the blue uni-

and cereins some of the appearations immake and the code of the control of the superintendent, and shall be controlled to the control of the

A fine plece of gunswith workmanship was among the president's holiday gifts, coming among the president's holiday gifts, coming from Victor Bogy, of Liege, Belgium. Another so unique specimen of its class has probably not been produced very researchy. United with a carved section of the stock, cut in minute diamond pattern, is an admirable design of inhald work in gold. The decorations of the opposite sides represent different scenes of the chase with stags and dogs, encircled by a delicate floral bordering adapted to the form of the plate. On the lock is a harmonious design with little leaves and stems, like straying hairs of gold. The double barrel is in damascene work of the most curious sort, repeating in the name Chester A. Arthur innumerable times through the scrip-like design. The name which is thus wrought obliquely on the piece is not distinguishable except by close inspection. Being so intimately blended with the remaining forms of the design it is made to serve for quiet decorative effect. In addition to the other piece, the handsome case contains a full equipment of instruments for mounting, cleaning, and so on.

cent's Female Orphan asylum could not have enjoyed the day better. It will easily be per-ceived what a responsibility the sisters have assumed in the care and culture of so many children, and it is astonishing how well they succeed. Kind friends had been generous in their donations, and not only an abundance of catables were furnished, but each of the children had been remembered by a special gift.

St. Ann's Infant Asylum. St. Ann's Infant Asylum.

At St. Ann's Infant asylum, where about 100 children of tender age are cared for, the day was truly one of joy and merriment to the little ornes. Those of the lower school goom, comprising the children ranging from 2 or 3 to 4 years of age, went wild over the beautiful Christmas free tastefully decorated by the sisters in charge, and each one was presented with a doll and other little presents. Many visitors called during the day.

Congressional Cemetery.

The road leading to Congressional cemetery presented the and side of Christmas yesterday. All day long, in carriages and on foot, gentle and-eyed worken in black, little girls, and men wended their way to the cemetery. Nearly all of them carried flowers in their hands. The sexton and his assistants were kept busy shoveling the white manile of snow from the graves, and sweet, fragrant flowers were placed there.

The House of Refuge.

The house of refuge, a worthy institution established a little over a year, on Ninth, between K and L streets northwest, and in

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programme observed. There were many callors on the thirty-four ladies living at the home but the patron, Mr. W. W. Corcorau, in consequence of his poor health and the in-clonent weather, was unable to be present. The dinner was an exceptionably fine one, and received the attention it deserved. The day was passed in social conversation.

Local snows and partly cloudy weather, north-asterly shifting to easterly winds, nearly stateon-For Sunrday, purky cloudy weather and oc-usional more. Yesterday's thermometric readings, 7 a.m.,

THE POLICE COURT.

A LARGE NUMBER OF CANES HEARD AT THE EARLY MORNING SESSION.

The Unfortunates Who Were at the Mercy of Jadge Snell for Misbehavior and Crime-Most of the Defendants Were Found Gallty, but a Few Cases Were Dismissed.

A thin little colored man was opening the door that leads to the call a mount of the court shortly after 7 o'clock yestorday morning, and while thus occupied his test chattered as he whistled "Sweet Violets." A long black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black of the little man opened the bigs, heavy door and told the police black wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curr, and told the police wagon, with windows on the sides, backed up to the curry and told the police wagon.

The SOLDIERS' HOME.

How the Veterans of the Late War Spent with the wagon with the usual feasts of turkey, chicken, private charitable institutions made there Given a Bix Binner.

New York, Dec. 25.—Christmax was celebrated in this city with, if possible, more than usual interest. The churches were very well attended, and it is thought that the collections taken up will exceed in amount those of last year. The bespital boxes in railroad stations, forry bouses, and other public places were liberally patronized. The commissioner of charities and correction supplied the inmites of the institutions under their charge with the usual feasts of turkey, chicken, park, and vescables and all the private charitable institutions made those in their care happy in a like manner. The Children's Aid society cared for the occupants of its several lodging houses. The Home fay the Friendless made merry seventy-five children with a dinner and Christmas tree and the stockings of the youngsters in the baby's shelter were foliaded yearned for the power of the several lodging houses. The Home fay the private charitant of the youngsters in the baby's shelter were filled by Santa Class. Halt adozen trees were loaded down with gifts of St. Stephen's Home. Seven hundred children sat down at St. Barnabac's home; at the Half Criphin asplant in West Ternh street Santa Chara in continue cared for 200 little ones; the Howard mission distributed packages of use-ful articles among the poor; the Five Points mission made inconsulas happy, and even the Jewish hospitals spread an unusual feast for its inmates.

mates.

Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer, wife of the editor of ne World, invited 110 boys and the same numer of girls, ranging from 3 to 10 years, to lorence hall, and distributed \$1,500 worth of vercoats, shawls, toys, and sugar plums mong them. They were all children of poor arents living in the tenth, eleyenth, and eventeenth wards on the east side of New York city.

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Baltimore, Dec. 25.—Christmas day in Baltimore passed in more than usual quiet. At the penituntary there was a holiday, and a substantial Christmas dinner for the several hundred convicts.

Philadekiphia, Dec. 25.—There was a quiet but general observance of Christmas day here. At the charitable and public institutions the hearts of the inmates were gladened with bounteous Christmas dinners, and in those where the inmates were children an additional source of enjoyment was provided for the little ones, in the shape of presents of toys, candies, Sc. A dinner was given by Judge Allison to about 100 bootelacks in a Chestnut street reseaurant.

READY FOR THE FRENCH.

The Chinese Give Notice of an Intended At-LONDON, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Shanghai says that 85,000 Chinese troops, under Li Hung Chang, are massed at Pel Ho. The works at Fort Arthur, on the gulf of Pe Chi Li, built by German artillery officers, make the strongest forfress in the north of China. They are mounted with heavy Gatting and Nordenfoldt guins. The entrance to the part is guartied with torpedoes. The Chinese have warned the French that they intend to make an attack. Letters from the French feet at Kelling state that Admiral Courbet is ill and worried over his forced inaction. It is feared that he cannot continue the operations. The blockade has no results. The mortality among the troops is increasing.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Gen. Briere de L'Isle has been promoted to be a general of division in recognition of his services in Tonquin.

THE NICARAGUAN TREATY. The London "Times" Says England Must Preserve the Freedom of International Trade.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Times this morning, n an article on the Nicaraguan treaty, readily admits that the treaty should be judged in America without reference to English Interests, but England, it says, holds a position of almost impregnable strength, and will protest against a policy which violates rights covered by the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. It believes that the better class of Americans will not favor the scheme, but thinks it rash to predict the result in congress. It is possible, the Times says, to construct and manage a canal in acordance with the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, while giving America single security through preuniary or other interest in the work, but even then it is doubtful whether a plan could be made pleasing to the American people. It is Engiand's duty, the Times declares, to preserve the freedom of international trade. America without reference to English inter

Panie in a Crowded Museum. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 25.—Quite a panie courred in Bunnell's Museum here to-night. he house was crowded, and a drunken man The house was crowded, and a drunken man near the main entrance made a disturbance, and an officer undertook to arrest him. At this, some indiscreet peacon in the audience raised the ery of "Fire!" and for about ten minutes pandemontum reigned, men shouting, women fainting, and children crying. A newabov jumped from the gallery to the lower floor, sustaining slight injuries. The manager and Mrs. Hollywood from the stage assured the audience there was no fire and no cause for alarm. Then the audience quited down, and some laughed hysterically. The clothes of many were torn and damages, but fortunately, although many were slightly injured, none were seriously hurt.

A Slander on the Cowb vada at the last Paris Exposition, arrived here to-day. He was a passenger on the Southern Pacific train which was boarded by cowboys near Pecos river, as mentioned in a San Antonio dispatch yesterday. He says the boys were evidently on a lark, yelling and firing off pistols at the station before boarding the train, but in no way did they terrorize or molest the passengers. On the contrary the ladies on the train went out on the platform to get a good look at them. When on the train they continued to be noisy for a few minutes, until notified by the conductor that they were out of order, when their noisy demonstrations ceased and they remained quiet to the end of their journey. yada at the last Paris Exposition, arrived here

The Troubles in Dakota.

TRAVERSE, DAK., Dec. 25.—The family of District Attorney Lane has just arrived here. Men from Wilmot attacked Mr. Lane's residence last night with the intention of lynching him. His house is near Wilmot, but being a county officer he is at present at the county seat. A report is in circulation to the effect that an attempt will be made to-night to release the prisoner, Metcall, who is confined here, but it is thought there is no foundation for it.

Arrest of a Noted Counterfeiter. Arrest of a Noted Counterfeiter.

MINPHIS, TENN., Dec. 22.—Miles Ogic, a noted counterfeiter, was arrested here to-day by M. G. Hauer, of the United States secret service. Three thousand dollars in 10 counterfeit bills on the third national bank of Cincinnati were found on him. Ogic has already served terms in penitentiaries in New York, Ohlo, and Pennsylvanis for counterfeiting. He was discharged from the latter in July, 1883, since which time he had been following his old trade.

A Forger Disappears. A Forger Disappears.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—A dispatch to the Times from Westchester says: On Tuesday last judgments were entered in court against William D. Alexander, fertilizer manufacturer, of Chester county, to the amount of \$10,000, and the sheriff made a levy upon his personal property and real estate. Since then Alexander has disappeared, and it is said left behind him papers to the amount of \$12,000 or \$15,000 which are pronounced forgeries.

Movements of Ocean Steamers. Arrived: At New York—Labrador, Havre; Rosario, Huil: Aberlady, Bay Shields; Ptol-emy, Rio Janelro; Sussex, Yokohama, At Quecustown—Novada, New York, for Liver-

TELEGRAPHIC TIPS.

-Walker, Judd & Vesle, extensive lumber men of Stillwater, Minn., are embarrassed.
-Israel & Co., who have stores at Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, and Lemars, Is., have failed.
-Mr. Parnell will deliver addresses at a minber of public meetings during the early part of the year.

-Alexander Dumas has presented the Comedie Francalse with a valuable gift, the only guaranteed example of an autograph play by Mollers. he latter's store at Park Ridge, N. J., Tuesday

by Mollers.

The steamer Chelydra and the bark Holmestrand collided Wednesday off Eddysione, and both vessels sunk. The crews excepted in the boats.

The Crofters on the Kilmuir estate, Isle of Skye, recently forcibly prevented the shoriff from serving a number of writs and ejected him from the estate.

The five story building at Homepin and Washington avenue, Minneapolis, formerly known as the Academy of Music, was gutted by fire yesterday afternoon. Loss \$20,000, insurance \$150,000.

The snow drifted badly on the line of the

—The snow drifted badly on the line of the Northern and White Monatain divisions of the Boston and Lowell railroad Wednesday night the Montreal train being stalted at Potter Place N. H., several hours.

-Margaret Hasley, aged 40 years, of 1233 Catharine street, Philadelphia, was found dead at the foot of the stairs last evening with law husband, John Hasley, bending over her, Hasley was arrested.

CAPITOL GOSSIP.

OPINIONS AND EXPRESSIONS GATHERED IN BRIEF TALKS WITH STATESMEN.

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distribution of campaign literature, and more especially for the expenses of stump speakers, would have turned the tide in favor of the republican ticket. The state has surely been lending to republicanism for several years, and it will certainly go that way at the next election. The protection element is very large, and is growing all the time. The election of Cleveland will have the effect in time of disintegrating the democratic party in the state, and the republicans will have no difficulty in carrying it if even a moderate effort is made."

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RANDALL'S EXCUESION SOUTH.

Democratic politicians who are passing the holidays at the capital are actively discussing the Randall excursion to the south. They agree in the opinion that it is a political event of unusual importance, Mr. Randall is leadership in and out of the house depending much on the results of the visit. The free traders are especially aroused since Mr. Randall insbedily proclatined that he intends to make protection appealance very where he goes. Mr. Mr. Mr. of Texas, is among the permitted trade in the protection is mere gammon," said he yesterday: "there are a few points, some as Birmingham, Nashville, Chaitanoaga, and Alianta where eastern monopoliets are investing capital that want protection, but these are insolated spots in a vast territory. Nisates revenited spots in the public sentiment. The people want revenue reform and will have it. Mr. Randall will make no perceptible change in the public sentiment. The people want revenue reform and will have it. Mr. Randall will be cordinally entertailed everywhore begoes, but the people will not vote his way."

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MR. TILDEN'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON.
The announcement that Tilden will be here
during the inauguration period has caused
quite a flutter in democratic circles. A democratic member from California who knows
Mr. Tilden intimately said yesterday that
in spite of the announcement he doubted
his stonning. "Mr. Tilden has recentedly announced his retirement from active polities,"
said he, "and for that reason 1 do not believe he will come. Besides he is quite infirm, and in no condition to sustain the exeltement which such an occasion as the
inauguration would naturally produce."

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"Have you noticed," asked a well-known official yeaserday, "that's great many people are selling chips from the Washington monument with miniature representations of the monument and Mount Vernon painted on the rough service? Let me tell you what i've heard. I was told today that some shrewd operators had sent over to the Sisson quarries in Maryland, where the monument stone came from, and bought a car load of slabs from the identical vein that the monument waterials was taken from. These are being broken into fragments and painted, and will be sold as ettips from the monument. There's nothing like making money if you know how to do it.

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 25.—Schedules in assignment of the Washington bank, at Washington, Ind., have been filed, and show the ington, Ind., have been filed, and show the total assets to be 95,128. Hyatt, Levings & Co. are shown to have overdrawn over \$25,000. The senior member of the bank, Elisha Hyatt, who was compelled to make an individual assignment because of the initive of his bank, has filed a schedule of his assets. His total inabilities will probably reach \$100,000. Mr. Hyatt is estimated to be worth nearly \$400,000, and it is said that his asset will exceed his liabilities, which include those of the broken bank, by at least \$150,000.

Burned to Death in Ills Bed. MANSFIELD, PA., Dec. 25.—In Bell's Hollow early this morning a double frame house was burned. One portion was occupied by John

Bank Fatlure at Laporte, Indianapolis, Inn., Dec. 25.—The Journal's Laporte special says: The Laporte Savings

An Embezzler Brought Rack in Custody.

Boston, Dec. 25.—Inspector Hanscom returned this afternoon from Minneapolis with
Horman Gowan, alias Honry Holbrook in his
custody. Holbrook was arrested in Minneapia
on a warrant charging him with the embezzlement of funds belonging to H. R. Weisner &
Co., of York, Pa., whom nerepresented in Boston. The woman who accompanied him
came back also, and has gone home to her
parents.

Capture of a Negro Murderer, Ents, Pa., Dec. 25.—Sandford Sisco, the egro who shot and killed Abrain Garnee in

night, was captured on a train here to-day, having been recognized by a newsboy. He admits the killing, but says he did it in a light resulting from a political dispute. He was taken to Hackensack and lodged in jail. Pelice Stopped the Fight.

New York, Dec. 25.—Two hundred spectaors were viewing a cock fight at Mike Kear-

this morning, when five policemen made a raid on the place. Four mea and several rooters were captured. The rest escaped. The men were held to-day in \$100 hall for trial.

PROGRESS OF INVENTION.

Interesting Exhibit of the Patent Office which Will Be Sent to New Orleans To-Day. The dispatch of the last installment of the interior department exhibit to New Orleans his morning will complete the contribution of

Even the Snow Plows Blockaded. PORTLAND, ORDA, Dec. 25.—The snowstorn was renewed Tuesday along the Middle Colum bia river, and yesterday it was still impossible to raise the mow blockade botween The Dalles and this city, as it effect in behind the plows as fast as an edvance was made. Three plows, with five engines attached to each, were blockaded, and it will be necessary to shovel them out. Very little progress was ander owing to the continued showfall. It is not likely that the road will be opened before saturday. Northern Pacific trains were restricted yrunning through to Wallale junction, and a large number of passengers independently of the snow-bound trains receive supplies regularly out sledts from Hood river and Cascode locks, and there is no charger of their suffering from hunger. System presengers effect the locks, and there is no danger of their suffer-ing from hunger. System presengers left the train and walked to this city. No eastern mail has arrived here since the 1812 instant. Mail destined for the east will be sont by steamer to San Francisco Friday night.

New Onteans, Dec. The Ters rate day at the World's Expedition was somewhat of a the World's Exposition was semewhat of a disappointment in point of attendance. A cold, drizzling rait which set in last night continued, keeping within door and around Christmas free many of those who had antiched a pleasant visit to the Exposition. Yet, notwithstanding the universitie condition, the several buildings were well filled, and everything went off according to programme. The chief attraction was in the main building where, on the music platform, a Corismas fir tree, all the way from Ike Marvel's place, in Connecticut, was placed its spreading branches bent beneath the weight of its fruit of toys, presenting a pecty

gifts were mainly contributed by Dir-General Burke. These gifts were so name that though men, women, and children-all applied, considerable remained on h-which will be distributed next Saturday.

ALBANY, Dec. 25,-Gov. Cleveland speni Christmas quietly at the executive mansion, Rank Fatture at Laporte,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Dec. 25.—The Journof's Laporte special says: The Laporte Savings bank closed its doors and has been placed in charge of Receiver Seth Easton; assets, about \$80,000; Ilabilities, \$10,000 leas. John Sulherland, the president, says the depositors will be paid in full. It is charged that Jacob Vining, the cashier, caused the suspension by reporting to the auditor of state some transactions wherein the bank laid not strictly complied with the state law, his reason for so doing being his intended removal by the directors.

Chicago's Ambition Revived.

Chicago's Prince Samanieur races and and the appoint of the Chicago and the professional champion of America, and W. M. Woodside champion of Ireiand. The race was contected every inch of the way, neither participant all and the appoint of the Revived Revived Prince Champion of America, and W. M. Woodside Revived Revived Revived Prince Champion of Ireiand. The race was contected every inch of the way, neither participant all owing his opponent to secure a decided lead at any point. On the last tap Prince Cook the lead, and wen by six feet. Time, on minimal prince Champion of America, and W. M. Woodside Revived Revived Review Revived Review Review Review Review Review Revie

Shooting Affray at Petersburg. Shooting Affray at Petersburg.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 21.—Late this evening Edmind Walker was shot in the head by
Nat Hames and dangerously wounded. Hames
unrendered. He claims that the act was
committed in self-defense. Both are colored.
A disturbance occurred today at Windoor
station, on the Norfolk and Western relivery,
between white and colored men, during which
a white mate and does Johnson was cut by a
negro, who made his escape.

Protesting Against Germany's Action, London, Dec. 25.—The governments of Tas-mania and Queensland have joined with that of Victoria in the protest against the annexa-

A CHRISTMAS CRIME.

MURDER RESULTS FROM A SCUPPLE BE-

TWEEN TWO TOUNG MES. The Victim, a Laborer, Sald to Have Been Brank-The Murderer But Nineteen Years Old, and Claims That the Stabbing Was

Committed in Self-Defruse.

The | two little sons of John R. Ogle, who keeps a grocery at the corner of Thirty-fourth and R streets in Georgetown, wanted to go riding yesterday atternoon and took their sleds to go out. There was a crowd of men-standling at the corner, and Mr. Ogle said he would accompany the children past here. His house is situated at the intersection of two bills that extend down it and Thirty-fourth streets. This corner is a popular stamping ground for the routh of that section, and

ing ground for the youth of that section, and they congregate there daily.

James Smith, a timer, sized 19, was the first on the scene, and he amused himself for a time by kicking his heals against the bricks of the sidewair. Eddie Warfleid came coasting down the hill, and stopped at the corner. The two taked for a time about Christmas, when william O'Brien, of 1602 Thirty second street, came up the hill. Mr. Ogle says O'Heien was intoxicated. O'Brien sized with the other boys for some time, when Eimer Chamberlain, sometimes called Boilins, of 2339 P street, came up the hill.

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HE HAD BEEN DRINKING.

Mr. Ogle came out with his cons and saw the four standing together. He led fils boys past, them and started to return to his Bouse when he saw Rollins and Smith tussiling on the side-walk. They appeared to be in fun, and Mr. Ogle wont into his house, stopping at the door for an instant, as something told him that there was stoing to be some trouble. He then went into the house.

Rollins and Smith continued their struggle, when Smith got mad and told kollins to stop. Of Brien says that Smith hold Eolims that he would cut him. O'Brien was standing by a free and falche Warfield had goine across the street. Smith backed from the sidewalk into the gutter and again, candidated Rollins, when the latter advanced and struck him. "Bon't do that again," sald Smith.

Rollins came tup with a dranken leer, and kicked or "bosted" Smith. The boys then clinched and while they were struggling on the slippery road, Smith pulled an open wooden-handled knife from his pocket, and "TARRED HOLLINS THERE TIMES.

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Bollins let go his hold and backed on the sidewalk. Smith turned pele when he saw what
he had done, and shutting the knife up hurriedly went down it street toward Thirtythird street, sliding down the hill at times.

Julia Lynch, of 1712 Thirty-fourth street, saw
the quarrel and slabbing. She came down
and joined O Brien and two other men at the
corner. When Bollins backed on the sidewalk
he said: "Brine, he stabbed me. Oh, my."
He then walked a few stops further, and then

his head striking on two pointed bricks with great force. The holes of the blow brought cle out of his house. He says that he raised the head of itellifes, who was grouning and gaping. O'Brien, however, says that he raised Roillins head. Some one went for an officer, and met Sergeant Hess, who came up-just as

officer, and met Sergeant Hees, who came upjust as

ROLLISS WAS RREATHING HIS LAST.

"Well, he just rolled his eyes and went "sh,
uh, oh, oh, hike that," said Ogie describing
the death of foldins.

Sergeant Hees had Rollins's body taken to
his home and a search was made for Smith,
Officer Fisher went out, to look for him and
found him on Thirty-second street. He was
taken to the Georgeadown station, and hicked
up. He is a nice looking boy, with dark har
and eyes, and hears a good reputation. He
was standing at the corner when hollins came
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know where we can get a shawl to sell and get
something to drink. Trefused to go, and hi
hearn striking me and I was afraid he wa
going to hurt me. I had been cutting my nail
when he came up, and had put my kuliopened into my pocket. He beat me again
and I cut him." Smith does not know that
Rollins's dead.

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Ogle did not see the deed, and thought that he men were just fooling.
The body of Rollins was prepared for burial, and the coroner was noticed. Rollins did not sear a good reputation, and he was a laborer mind the worked. The coroner will held at inquest at the Georgetown station at 11 o'clock

A Valuable Trunk Stolen. ionners, was stolen from the ballimore and footner railroad station some time yesterday morning. The owners of the projectly are relatives of Senator sabin, and are stopping at Mr. Willis's residence, corner of kleventh and H streets northwest. The trunk was sen from Philadelphia on a transfer check, and it was received here by the railroad officials, who are all at sea concerning its whereabouts. Detective Cox has the case in charge.

Mr. Barnabee in the Role of Sania Claus. Sr. Paul, Minn. Dec. 25.—At the conclusion of the performance of "Martha" last night the members of the Boston Ideal Opers comthe members of the Boston Ideal Opera com-peny assembled in the parlors of the Metro-pollian hotel and enjoyed their annual Christ-mas Eve festivities. A large tree was covered with presents for the members of the com-pany. Mr. Barnabee personated Santa Chan-naud made the distribution, the principal cherus and orchestra all sharing in the gifts, some of which were very elegant and easily. It has been the custom of the Ideals to observe Christmas Eve in this way each year, and the event last night was significant from the fact that Miss Ober will resign the management of the company at the end of this season and Mr. Whitney will retire from the operatio stage.

The Bohemian Land Company. The Bohemian Land Company.

Phacur, Dec. 25.—The Habilities of the Bohemian Land Credit company, which asspended recently, amount to 23,000,000 forms. The assets exceed that amount, but it will be difficult to collect them. Numerous small banks are involved in the failure, and some are ruined. The shareholders lose the whole amount of their investments.

Killed on Her Way to Church.
THENTON, N. J., Dec. 25—Rosa Cleary, a resident of Philadelphia, who was on a visit to her sister in this city, while crossing the Belvidere railroad track on her way to mass this morning, was struck by a train and instantly killed. She was literally cut to pieces.

To Keep Oplum Out of Congo. Bestin, Dec. 25.—Gen. Sanford, the Ameri-can delegate to the Coupe conference, pro-poses that optum be included under the rule prohibiting the sale of alcohol in the Congo

Shot Bead at a Banes.

VANDALIA, Bill. Dec. 25 — Enoch Logue, a cowboy, at a dance in Louden, Fayette county, on Tuesday night shot and killed Jackson Hogue, a son of an ex-member of the legislature.

LOCAL BRIEFLETS.

The inmates of the industrial school in West Washington were treated to a bountiful Christmas dinner yesterday.

Manager Harton gave a supper at the Key-stone bouse last night to the employes of the Dine Museum. Christmas speeches were made by Mr. Barton, Mr. W. P. Meany, and others.

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At Fourth Presbyterian church yesterday morning the Christmas services took the form of a "praise meeting," which was participated in by young and old. The choir repeated a portion of last Sunday's music with excellent

There is a great deal of complaint about the slippery condition of the aldewalks caused to the failure of citizens to remove be from in-front of their houses. Several societies have happoness, and if the possuit weather con-tinues many serious ones will happen.

Appealing to Stadents to Obey the Laws.

Braitin, Dec. 25.—In consequence of the students of the university holding forbidden meetings in sympathy with the socialists, the restor of the university has lested an appeal to them requesting that they respect the laws and atomit to the rules of the university.

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